

# 78 Metro Transit Authority-At a Glance

<b>Mission</b>	The mission of the MTA is to provide public transportation to our community and its visitors so they can achieve greater mobility and experience a cleaner, healthier environment with less traffic congestion.		
<b>Budget Summary</b>			
	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>2016-17</b>
<b>Expenditures and Transfers:</b>			
GSD General Fund - Metro Subsidy	\$ 36,370,600	\$ 40,013,600	\$ 42,013,600
<b>Total Expenditures and Transfers</b>	<b>\$ 36,370,600</b>	<b>\$ 40,013,600</b>	<b>\$ 42,013,600</b>
<b>Positions</b>	Total Budgeted Positions	1	1
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## Overview

The Nashville Metropolitan Transit Authority (MTA) provides transit service throughout much of the Nashville metropolitan area. These services consist of fixed-route bus service for the general public and AccessRide paratransit service for those with special needs.

MTA operates 46 routes with five different types of bus services that designed to provide service to the general public.

- **BRT Lite:** daytime frequencies of every 15 minutes
- **Most Frequent:** daytime frequencies of 30 minutes or less
- **Frequent:** daytime frequencies of 30 to 90 minutes
- **Limited:** limited express routes that only operate on weekdays during peak periods
- **Music City Circuit:** free service around downtown Nashville

With its current service level, Nashville MTA provides approximately 10 million passenger trips annual on MTA buses as well as regional bus and commuter rail services to people who go to work, school, doctor's offices, shopping centers, and other destinations on MTA buses and vans.

As Nashville area continues to grow, public transit will play an increasingly important role in providing an efficient and convenient travel option. Residents will demand more and better public transit service to provide safer, more efficient, and more convenient travel options. Public transit is particularly important for providing access to jobs and services in downtown Nashville, it also moves people between neighborhoods and towns to attend school, shop, recreate, or simply explore. Public transit provides mobility for everyone and it can be a worthwhile travel option as it saves time and money, avoids the hassles of parking, and allows people to read, browse online, and relax while traveling. Most competitive cities have great public transit systems or are developing them.